AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-20. (Previously cancelled)

21. (Currently amended) A method for providing notifications of new events on a wireless communication device having a small display, the wireless communication device having a graphical user interface 'GUI' displayed on [[a]] the display ~~of the wireless communication device~~, the GUI having a main screen comprising an application portion for displaying icons for respective applications for execution on the wireless communication device and a status portion for displaying wireless communication device status information, the method comprising:

providing on the main screen and in the application portion a plurality of application icons each representing an application for managing respective events on the wireless device and each being invokable to launch its respective application, the application icons occupying a major portion of the main screen; and

in response to a new event in respect of one of the applications, visually modifying the respective application icon in the application portion of the main screen to notify of the new event and to display a preview of a content of the new event;

wherein the application icons are maintained on the main screen continuously.

22. (Original) The method of claim 21 comprising invoking the one application in the application portion in response to the visually modified icon.

23. (Original) The method of claim 21 comprising monitoring the one application in the application portion to determine an occurrence of the new event.

24. (Original) The method of claim 21 further comprising:

determining a visual modification for the icon of the one application icon in the application portion in response to the new event; and

using said visual modification when visually modifying.

25. (Original) The method of claim 24 wherein said step of determining a visual modification comprises maintaining a count of new events for the one application in the application portion.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[26]] 21 wherein said displaying a preview is responsive to a user action.

28. (Original) The method of claim 27 wherein said displaying a preview of a content comprises displaying a dialog box over a portion of the main screen.

29. (Original) The method of claim 21 further comprising: in response to an activation of the one application in the application portion having its icon visually modified to notify of the new event, automatically navigating through the one application to the new event.

30. (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein said wireless device comprises at least one of a data communication device and a voice communication device; wherein at least some of said plurality of applications manage communications capabilities associated with the wireless device and wherein said events of said at least some of said plurality of applications comprise communication events.

31. (Original) The method of claim 21 further comprising, in response to a plurality of new events, visually modifying the icon of the one application in the application portion to notify of the plurality of new events.

32. (Original) The method of claim 31 wherein said visually modifying the icon of the one application in the application portion comprises displaying a preview of a content of each of the plurality of new events.

33. (Currently Amended) A graphical user interface 'GUI' for a wireless communication device having a small display and a controller coupled to a memory, the memory storing a plurality of applications for managing respective events, the graphical user interface 'GUI' being provided for the applications and displayed on [[a]] the display, the GUI comprising:

a main screen for displaying on the display, the main screen comprising an application portion for displaying a plurality of application icons associated with a respective application in the plurality of applications and each being invokable to launch its respective application, the application icons occupying a major portion of the main screen, the main screen further comprising a status portion for displaying wireless communication device status information;

at least one monitoring component to determine the occurrence of new events of the applications; and

at least one icon modifying component to visually modify at least one of the application icons in the application portion of the main screen in response to a new event in respect of at least one of the applications to notify of the new event and to display a preview of a content of the new event;

wherein the application icons are maintained on the main screen continuously.

34. (Original) The GUI of claim 33 wherein said GUI is configured to maintain a count of new events for respective applications and said icon modifying component is configured to modify in response to said count.

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Presently amended) The GUI of claim [[35]] 33 wherein the icon modifying component is configured to display a preview in response to a user interaction with the one of the application icons in the application portion.

37. (Original) The GUI of claim 36 wherein said display of a preview comprises displaying a dialog box over a portion of the main screen.

38. (Original) The GUI of claim 33, wherein in response to a user interaction with the one of the application icons in the application portion, said GUI is configured to invoke the application associated with the one of the application icons to display the new event.

39. (Original) The GUI of claim 33 wherein said wireless device comprises at least one of a wireless data communication device and a wireless voice communication device; wherein at least some of said plurality of applications are configured to manage communications capabilities associated with the wireless device and wherein said new events of said at least some of said plurality of applications comprise communication events.

40. (Original) The GUI of claim 33 wherein the icon modifying component is configured to modify the one of the application icons in the application portion to notify of a plurality of new events.

41. (Original) The GUI of claim 40 wherein the icon modifying component is configured to play a preview of a content of each new event in the plurality of new events.